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REMARKS

Applicants' undersigned attorney thanks the Examiner for his comments. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of this patent application, particularly in view of the above amendments and the following remarks. Currently, Claims 1-44 are pending. With this Amendment, Claims 1-4, 11-17, 30-33, 35-37 and 40-44 have been amended. Claims 19-29 and 34 have been canceled.

Amendment to the Claims

Applicants have amended Independent Claims 1, 30 and 41 to recite that the zones of differential breathability comprise at least one zone of higher breathability and at least one zone of moderate breathability, and that the stretched zone of the laminate consists of the zone of higher breathability. Claims 12-17 have been amended to correct a typographical error. The remaining claims were amended to be consistent with the amended independent claims.

These amendments are supported in the Specification as originally filed. No new matter has been added by this Amendment. No additional fee is due for this Amendment.

Summary of Interview

The Examiner and Margaret M. Crosby spoke on the telephone on April 27, April 28 and May 11, 2005. The Examiner stated that the case would be allowed with the additional amendment requested by the Examiner, indicated above, to clarify that the at least one stretched zone of the laminate consists of the at least one zone of higher breathability.

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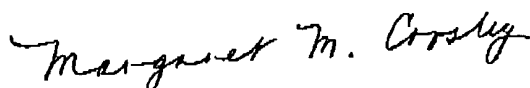
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Conclusion

Applicants intend to be fully responsive to the outstanding Office Action. If the Examiner detects any issue which the Examiner believes Applicants have not addressed in this response, Applicants' undersigned attorney requests a telephone interview with the Examiner.

Respectfully submitted,



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